VERMONT IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY
Consolidated Immunization Histories
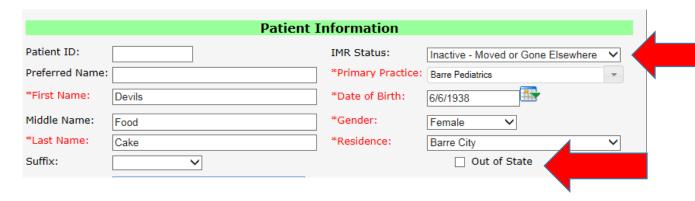Informed Health Care

NOT MY PATIENT: HOW TO USE PATIENT STATUS VARIABLE

IMR Reports are valuable quality control tools for Vermont primary practices. Tools like the Vaccine Coverage Report help providers assess their practice as a whole, not just a single patient. This is possible because the IMR links patients to the practice where their last immunization was given.
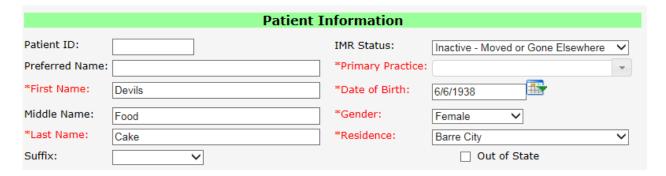
When a patient moves away or stops coming to you for care, they may still appear on your reports. To keep your rates accurate, you will need to indicate when someone is no longer your patient. It takes only a few second per record. Here's how:

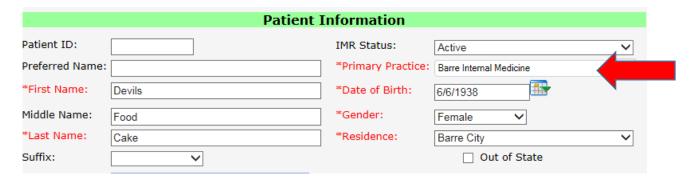***When a patient has moved or gone elsewhere, but you do not know where:***

Select Inactive – Moved or Gone Elsewhere in the IMR status field, and SAVE. If the patient is known to have move out of state, please check the Out of State box too.

When you choose SAVE, you will notice your practice name is removed from the primary practice field.

If a patient has moved to another VT practice, and you know that information, you may change the Primary Practice name from your practice to the new practice. Start typing in the Primary Practice field and the name will smart-fill. Then SAVE.

Patient Information	
Patient ID:	IMR Status: Active
Preferred Name:	*Primary Practice: Barre Internal Medicine
*First Name: Devils	*Date of Birth: 6/6/1938
Middle Name: Food	*Gender: Female
*Last Name: Cake	*Residence: Barre City
Suffix:	☐ Out of State

TIP: Many practices find it works well to do this patient management once a year. The IMR team can provide you with a list of patients who have not received any immunizations in a long time – this can be a help in finding people who are no longer part of your practice.

Please feel free to contact us anytime with questions at (imr@vermont.gov) or phone us toll free at (888) 688-4667.

Thank you for your support of the Vermont Immunization Registry!